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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
NOBUMASA SUZUKI)	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 10/766,816)	Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Filed: January 30, 2004)	
For: PROCESSING APPARATUS AND)	
METHOD)	March 9, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of this document is enclosed.

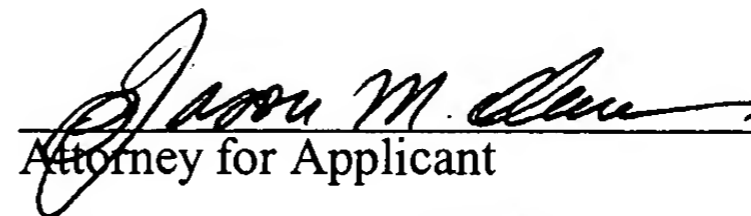
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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